



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 09062.0456

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Michel GARRAIT et al.) Group Art Unit: 1625
Application No.: 09/350,152) Examiner: T. Oh
Filed: July 9, 1999)
For: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION)
OF HYDROXYMETHYLBUTYRIC)
ACID)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of October 3, 2003. The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☒ Applicants enclose herewith a petition for a 3-month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$950.00 for the Extension is enclosed.

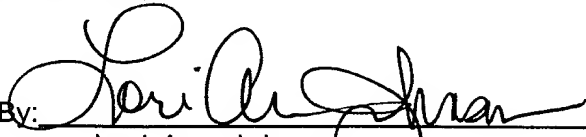
The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	22	-	23	0	x \$ 18	\$ 0.00
Indep.	1	-	3	0	x \$ 86	
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Subtotal						\$ 0.00
Reduction by ½ if small entity						-
TOTAL						\$ 0.00

- ☐ A fee of \$[Fee] to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- ☐ A fee of \$[Fee] to cover [Title of other paper(s)] is enclosed.
- ☒ A check for \$950.00 to cover the above fee is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: April 5, 2004

By: 
Lori-Ann Johnson
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